

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 Expedited Procedure**

**In re application of:** Van Winkle et al.

**Application No.** 10/509,691

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**For:** GENERATION OF PLANTS WITH  
IMPROVED DROUGHT TOLERANCE

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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This is a Supplemental Amendment and Response to the Final Office action dated November 14, 2007. A three-month period for reply was set and a one-month extension fee was submitted with the filing of the Amendment and Response on March 12, 2008. Applicants now petition for a two month extension of time and submit the appropriate extension fee. A response is now due on or before **May 14, 2008**. If any additional fees are required in connection with filing this document, please charge Deposit Account 02-4550.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 and end with a Conclusion on page 4.